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In re Patent Application of:
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For: METHOD OF EXTRACTING NUCLEIC
ACIDS USING PARTICULATE CARRIER

Examiner: S. Chunduru

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated August 10, 2004. Filed herewith is a Petition and fee for a three month extension of time, thereby extending the deadline for response to February 10, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.